

#### Policy 3090 – Sale and Disposal of Property

Policy 3090 was changed to include the sale of real estate. In addition, approval of any sale of school property was changed from requiring four members, to two-thirds of the members of the Board of Education, at a regular meeting.

#### Policy 3130 – Purchasing Policies

As a result of the State Auditor's increased attention to and scrutiny of credit cards use, we have added a section for the use of credit cards for purchase on behalf of the School District. The procedure identified should satisfy the state auditor.

#### Policy 3570 – ESSA

The Every Student Succeeds Act was signed on December 10, 2015. The law requires that schools that receive Title I funding:

- Notify parents of the right to receive information about the professional qualifications of their child's teachers;
- Notify parents that they may opt out of testing; and
- Notify parents of certain matters related opportunities related to the Language Instruction (ELL) program.

#### Policy 4023 – Prohibition on Aiding and Abetting Sexual Abuse

Section 8038 of the ESSA requires school districts to have a policy prohibiting helping a person get a job if it is know that the person engaged in sexual misconduct regarding a minor or a student in violation of the law. Policy 4023 is being introduced to comply with this part of ESSA.

#### Policy 4027 – Workplace Privacy Act

LB 821 prohibits employers from accessing employees' electronic information, including passwords to social media accounts. Policy 4027 is being introduced to comply with this law.

#### Policy 5006 – Option Enrollment

LB 1066 amended Nebraska's Option Enrollment statute by specifically addressing standards fro accepting or denying late-filed applications. Our current language is sufficient to cover these changes. LB 1067 amended the option enrollment statutes to state: "Option students who qualify for free lunches shall be eligible for free transportation or transportation reimbursement as described in section 79-611 from the option school district pursuant to policies established by the school district..." Revisions were made to meet this requirement.

#### Policy 5023 – Academic Progress

Policy 5023 requires the academic reports be 'sent' to parents each quarter. With many schools using electronic student records it is prudent to using language such as 'made available' rather than 'sent'.

#### Policy 5418 – Homeless Student Policy

Schools that have been audited by the NDE in the last year have been advised of the need to have a homeless policy with a more robust grievance procedure. Accordingly, Policy 5418 has been amended to provide that enhancement. The ESSA also added a notice requirement that is reflected in the amended policy as well as removing reference to NCLB in the accompanying forms.

#### Policy 5419 – Mental Health Assessments or Reporting

The ESSA requires that parental consent be obtained prior to a child under the age of 18 participating in any mental health assessment or service. Policy 5419 is revised to meet this requirement.

#### Policy 6020 – ESSA-Copyright Instruction

The ESSA requires that students be given education about the harms of copyright piracy. We have revised Policy 6020 to incorporate this requirement.

#### Policy 6212 – Assessments –Academic Content Standards

The statute related to adoption of state standards requires districts to adopt academic content standards in the subject areas of reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies in accordance with timelines established by the State Board of Education, but in no event later than one year following the adoption or modification of the state standards. We have amended this policy to incorporate the Mathematics standards that were adopted by the State Board in September, 2015.

#### Policy 6284 – Initiations, Hazing, Secret Clubs and Outside Organizations

The anti-hazing statute had formerly been applicable only to post-secondary students. LB 710 extended this to include everyone. LB 710 also expanded the list of what constitutes hazing. The policy has been revised to capture the additional hazing activities that were identified in the law.

#### Policy 6286 – Return to Learn from Cancer

LB 511 from the 2015 legislative session requires schools to ‘establish a return-to-learn protocol for students returning to school after being treated for pediatric cancer.’ Policy 6286 was developed in response. Since then it has been determined that there is no chief medical officer with HHS in that position so that reference has been stricken from the policy.

#### Policy 6410 – Title I Parental and Family Involvement ESSA

The ESSA includes changes to parental involvement in the Title I schools. The primary impact is to expand the requirements from parents to ‘parents and family members.’ Policy 6410 is revised accordingly.

#### Policy 6800 – Internet Safety and Acceptable Use Policy/COPPA

Policy 6800 provides that the district’s technology resources are not to be used for personal use. The policy is amended so that districts who do allow personal use if they have entered a limited lease agreement would be covered. Also, COPPA requires that schools obtain verifiable parental consent before allowing third parties to access student data on-line. We have updated the internet use policy to incorporate the requirements of COPPA.

#### Policy 8270 – Conflict of Interest Procedures

The conflict statute related to the employment of family members requires that Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission (NADC) Form C-4 be filed with the Board of Education. Policy 8270 had provided that the form was also filed with the NADC. The revision deletes the reference to filing with NADC.

#### Policy 9341 – Voting

The Open Meetings Act requires that motions be made and seconded by ‘roll call vote of the public body in open session.’ LB 876 amended the Act to permit electronic voting, so long as the votes of the board members may be readily seen by the public. Policy 9341 was amended to provide for the use of an electronic voting device in the event that any Board of Education chooses to use that option.